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## REMARKS

Status of the claims. Claims 1, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11 and 12  
5 remain in the application. Claim 10 had been objected to only  
as depending from a rejected claim, and Examiner indicated it  
would be allowable if rewritten independently. Therefore, claim  
1 has been rewritten to incorporate all substantive requirements  
of claim 10, including all claims from which claim 10 was  
10 dependent.

Minor correction replaces the phrase "or each" with the term  
-respective--, so as to provide greater clarity.

Claims 6 is made dependent from rewritten claim 1. Thus,  
claims 6, 7, 8, 9 as well as 11 and 12 all relate ultimately  
15 back to claim 1. A minor amendment of spelling is made in claim  
9 for sake of clarity. Claim 10 is cancelled because its  
limitations are now set forth in claim 1. Therefore, amended  
claim 1 replaces claim 10 in the form it would be allowable if  
rewritten independently.

20 The undersigned thanks Examiner Pickett for telephone  
interview on August 23, 2006, to discuss claim 1, but agreement  
was not reached at that time. Applicant may instead proceed  
without prejudice to the previous claim 1 by way of a  
continuation-in-part (CIP) or continuation.

25 In view of the present rewriting of claim 1 to incorporate  
the requirements of allowable claim 10 (if rewritten  
independently), it is submitted accordingly that the amendments  
herewith place the application fully in condition for allowance,  
raise no new issues, add no new claims, and require no new  
30 search. Thus the application is now prima facie in condition  
for Notice of Allowance, which is respectfully requested.

While the undersigned believes that the foregoing resolves all remaining issues, if Examiner believes there is any remaining issue which could be readily resolved or other action could be taken to advance this application, such as Examiner's amendment, it is requested that Examiner please telephone the undersigned. If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for extension of time of length sufficient to be considered timely.

Any fees required, to the extent not covered by any payment submitted herewith, or for extension of time if required, are authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 07-1985.

Respectfully submitted,

Date:

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